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Sent: 4/4/2021 5:33:10 PM
To: Widawsky, David [Widawsky.David@epa.gov]
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Subject: RE: PFAS in/on Containers
Attachments: DGAD foundation and plan on fluorinated containers v2 (003)_TH.docx

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David/Tom,

I have reviewed and my comment attached. Realizing you had not had a chance to review this before sending,

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Moving on to the paper — Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

but do want DGAD to work with ICB to 'combine into' one, consistent and cohesive product, the information on plastics and fluorination. Next, this doesn't look much like a strategy nor a plan. There needs to be specific goal(s), objectives defined and under each the activities/plans for how to accomplish them.

Please see my comments and get a more on target plan back to me by NLT noon on Thursday --- which can also serve to be used by a DGAD staff or manager to report out to the OCSPP-OECA Coordination group (with all due caveats that it is a work in progress) ... and then we need to take some concrete steps to gather info.

Finally, last week Michal met with ACC at their request, about PFAS, we were told they are also 'gathering' information. I will be following up with them to request that information (they said they wanted to work together; we will see) and identify David and Dan as POCs for receiving anything they send about this. Dan/Chen would be responsible to share any such info with the OCSPP-OECA Coordination group.

As always, if you have questions, please ask rather than assume,
Tala

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David,
Please send the 'outreach plan' I requested several weeks ago now, ahead of the DGAD general and be prepared to discuss at the general.

Thx

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From: Widawsky, David <Widawsky.David@epa.gov>
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I'm getting briefed on this in 11 minutes. Chen Wen is the lead staffer, and Dan Helfgott is the manager.

Among other things, they have contacted the Sustainable Packaging Coalition, whose standard is part of the Safer Choice program. The PFAS issue seems to be news to them, so that organization will be considering how to deal with it. Safer Choice is a "customer" for the standard.

More to come, after I get my update.

Sent from my iPhone
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On Mar 29, 2021, at 1:06 PM, Henry, Tala <Henry.Tala@epa.gov> wrote:

David,
Checking in on the efforts to develop a "outreach" plan, to include OPP - see what they have done already, and then on what the P2 program would do to expand upon it to understand scope of issue beyond Ag/Pesticides.

When can I get this 'plan' Also, please let us know which P2 staffer is the lead for this effort. I know you mentioned wanting one of the TRI staff to lead, but we specifically requested that P2 staff engage on this. In part, because additional DGAD staff (PIB, or Dave or Steve's branch) will need to lead and participate in a broader effort on PFAS data gathering, to include data collection – as previewed at the DG meeting last week (we will discuss additional staffing on this at next General).

In addition, in the Safer Choice briefing slides there was indication that part of getting the Safer Choice label, packaging is considered. I would also like to receive more information regarding this aspect (what is 'reviewed', what criteria, etc.) and also explore if/how the SC labeling agreements could be leveraged to provide insights and/or develop stewardship related to the container issue.

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